

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

20 MAY 1976

Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters
Deputy Director for Central Intelligence
Washington, DC 20505

Dear General Walters:

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Your address will be the concluding one for the third year of the Guest Speaker Program. We suggest a title for your lecture such as "Reminiscences of a Military Officer's Career in Intelligence." A review of your experience as an intelligence officer over three decades and your service to six Presidents and four Directors of Central Intelligence would be of the greatest interest to our employees and members of the Intelligence Community.

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We look forward with great anticipation to your talk on 8 June.

Sincerely,

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Harry E. Fitzwater
Director of Training

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1975/1976 GUEST SPEAKERS



- OCT 75 - Professor Max Lerner (author)
"Where is America Going? "
- NOV 75 - Dr. J. Bowyer Bell (Columbia University)
"Patterns of International Terrorism"
- DEC 75 - Professor R. V. Jones (Aberdeen University)
"Command and Intelligence"
- JAN 76 - Professor Dennis L. Meadows (Dartmouth)
"After Limits to Growth"
- FEB 76 - Professor Samuel P. Huntington (Harvard)
"The Global Erosion of Democratic Governments"
- MAR 76 - No Speaker
- APR 76 - Professor John K. Fairbank (Harvard)
"China and the United States: A Historical Perspective)
- MAY 76 - Professor Karl M. Schmitt (University of Texas at Austin)
"Military in Latin America - New Power, New Directions"
- JUN 76 - General Vernon A. Walters, USA, Deputy Director of
Central Intelligence "Reminiscences of a Career in Intelligence"



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26 May 1976

CIA GUEST SPEAKER PROGRAM

LIEUTENANT GENERAL VERNON A. WALTERS

1. Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters, USA, retiring Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, will be the next CIA Guest Speaker on Tuesday, 8 June 1976, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Headquarters Auditorium. General Walters, whose active military service began on 2 May 1941 and will end with his retirement from the U.S. Army on 30 June 1976, will review his experiences of three decades in intelligence. His subject is: "Reminiscences of a Military Officer's Career in Intelligence."

2. General Walters was born in New York City on 3 January 1917. He lived abroad with his parents and attended St. Louis Gonzaga School in Paris, France, and Stonyhurst College in England.

3. His military career, most of which was spent in Intelligence, began on 2 May 1941 when he entered the Army as an enlisted man. His first assignment was with the 187th Field Artillery at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. In early 1942 he attended the Officers Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia, and graduated as a 2nd Lieutenant of Infantry on 29 May 1942. He was assigned to the 85th Division as Platoon Leader of the Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon of Headquarters Company, 338th Infantry. Subsequently, he was given additional duty of Regimental S-2.

4. Late in 1942, he was assigned to the Military Intelligence Training Center at Camp Ritchie, Maryland, and went overseas with the 9th Infantry Division, taking part in the assault landing at Safi in Morocco on 8 November 1942. For his part in this action, he was awarded the Legion of Merit and promoted to 1st Lieutenant. After serving in Algeria and Tunisia, he returned to the United States as Chief of Section at the Intelligence School at Camp Ritchie. While serving there, he attended the Special Course for Brazilian Officers at the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth in 1943. Subsequently, he returned to Italy, serving as Aide to General Mark W. Clark, Commanding General of the Fifth Army. Upon the arrival of the Brazilian Expeditionary Force in Italy, Captain Walters was assigned as Combat

Liaison Officer with the 1st Brazilian Infantry Division, remaining with them until the end of the war. He was then assigned as Assistant Army Attache in Brazil. He served there from 1945 to 1948.

5. During the visits of President Truman, General Marshall, and General Eisenhower to Brazil, he served as Aide to interpret for them. In June 1948 he was assigned to Ambassador Averell Harriman as Assistant Military Attache-at-Large with duty station in Paris, and in 1949 he was appointed Army Attache-at-Large. Returning to the United States with Ambassador Harriman in June 1950, he became Military Assistant to the Special Assistant to the President. In January 1951 he accompanied General Eisenhower on his visit to twelve NATO countries, and in February 1951 he was assigned to SHAPE Headquarters in Paris.

6. He served there as Assistant Executive for National Military Representatives and, subsequently, as Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics and Administration. He also served as Assistant to the President at the Geneva Conference in 1953. Returning to the United States in January 1955, he was assigned to the U.S. Element of the NATO Standing Group as Public Information Officer and Special Projects Officer. During this period, he had additional duties as Staff Assistant to the President of the United States, accompanying President Eisenhower on all of his foreign trips and Vice President Nixon on his trip to South America in 1958.

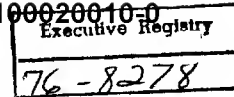
7. In early 1960 he attended a Guided Missile Course at Fort Bliss, Texas, and a Nuclear Course at Sandia, New Mexico. In May 1960 he was ordered to Rome as Army Attache, serving there until October 1962 when he was transferred to Rio de Janeiro as Army Attache. In 1967 he served briefly in Vietnam where he was awarded the Air Medal. Subsequently, he served as Defense Attache to France until early 1972. He accompanied President Nixon on his trip to France, Belgium, Germany, Italy, and Spain in 1969, and also accompanied Mrs. Nixon during her visit to the earthquake-stricken areas of Peru in June 1970. In late 1971 he accompanied President Nixon to the Azores.

8. Major General Walters was nominated by the President to be Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and to the grade of Lieutenant General on 2 March 1972 and confirmed by the Senate on 10 April 1972. He was sworn in to office on 2 May 1972.

9. Admission will be by ticket until 2:55 p.m., after which the remaining seats will be available to all. Tickets can be obtained from your component training officer.

Please Note: A short break will follow General Walters' presentation for the benefit of employees who must leave early. We ask those remaining to stay until the end of the question and answer period as a courtesy to the speaker.

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16 JUN 1976

Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters
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Central Intelligence Agency
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Dear General Walters:

We in OTR would like to heartily thank and congratulate you on your excellent presentation last week. "Reminiscences of a Military Officer's Career in Intelligence" was everything we knew it would be. It has gotten many compliments and will take its historical place as one of the most entertaining and successful guest speaker presentations.

We are also in your debt for your never-failing willingness to meet with so many of our training courses in which your appearance has been the highlight!

Our best wishes go with you on your departure from the Agency.

Sincerely,



Harry E. Fitzwater
Director of Training

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